

# REPORT Meeting Date: 2022-06-23 Peel Living Annual General Meeting

REPORT TITLE: Peel Housing Corporation Board of Directors – Updated

Composition

FROM: Sean Baird, Commissioner of Human Services

#### RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Steve Fantin be appointed as the Vice-Chair of the Peel Housing Corporation Board for a term ending June 30, 2023, or until a successor is appointed; and
- 2. That Anthony Parente be appointed as the Chair of the Peel Housing Corporation Board for a term ending June 30, 2023, or until a successor is appointed; and
- 3. That Christine Tu and Donna Kern be appointed as Directors of the Peel Housing Corporation Board for a term ending June 30, 2025, or until successors are appointed.

## **REPORT HIGHLIGHTS**

- On December 13, 2018, a new composition for the Peel Housing Corporation Board ("the Board") consisting of five Regional staff was approved by Regional Council in their capacity as the sole Shareholder of Peel Housing Corporation.
- As per the Shareholder Direction, appointment of Board members will be made at the Annual General Meeting based on the recommendations of the Chief Administrative Officer
- Steve Fantin has been the Vice-Chair of the Board since June 2020, for a term ending June 30, 2022. He has agreed to serve as Vice-Chair for one additional year.
- Patricia Caza has fulfilled her term on the Board of Directors and has been Chair since June 2020. Sean Baird resigned as a Director of the Board effective February 8, 2022 due to his new role as Commissioner of Human Services.
- Anthony Parente has agreed become Chair of the Board, and therefore a second Director needs to be appointed to the Board.
- The Chair needs to be confirmed and two director positions require new appointments, to replace members who have completed their terms.

#### **DISCUSSION**

## 1. Background

On December 13, 2018, a new composition for the Peel Housing Corporation Board ("the Board") consisting of five Regional staff was approved by Regional Council in its capacity as the sole Shareholder of Peel Housing Corporation ("PHC"), with the mandate of focusing primarily on overseeing day-to-day operations. At the time, the end dates of Board membership were staggered to ensure continuity of the Board members.

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Membership of the Board members, as outlined in the Shareholder Direction (section 6.7), is made at the Annual General Meeting, based on the recommendation of the Chief Administrative Officer.

# a) Overview of Required Appointments

Patricia Caza was appointed as Chair at the 2020 Annual General Meeting, and renewed for a term ending June 2022. With the vacancy of Chair, Anthony Parente has agreed to be the new Chair, pending Shareholder approval. This leaves a vacancy of a Director at-large position. Sean Baird resigned his position of Director at-large effective February 8, 2022, when he became Commissioner of Human Services. Steve Fantin has been Vice-Chair since June 2020. His term is set to expire June 30, 2022, however he has agreed to stay as Vice-Chair for an additional year. This leaves two Director positions, requiring appointment and confirmation of the new Chair. To fill the vacancies on the Board, the CAO is recommending the following appointments:

- That Steve Fantin be appointed as Vice-Chair for one year, for a term ending June 30, 2023. Steve is the Director of Operational Support in Public Works.
- That Anthony Parente be appointed as a Chair of the Peel Housing Corporation for a term ending June 30, 2023, or until a successor is appointed. Anthony is the General Manager of Water and Wastewater in Public Works.
- That Christine Tu and Donna Kern be appointed as Directors at-large for a term ending June 30, 2025, or until a successor is appointed. Christine Tu is the Director of the Office of Climate Change and Energy Management, and Donna Kern is the Director of Seniors Services Development.

Aretha Adams will remain as secretary until June 30, 2024.

#### **RISK CONSIDERATIONS**

Failure to appoint additional members, the Peel Housing Corporation Board of Directors will not have sufficient membership to operate as intended in the Shareholder approved governance structure.

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